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SUBJECT:EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS: OFFICIAL TRAVEL

GLEN H. FISHER

1. AS PART OF PROJECT TO ASSESS FACTORS WHICH SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN CU PROGRAMS IN NEXT TWO TO THREE YEARS, CU SENDING GLEN FISHER, ADVISOR FOR POLICY DEVELOPMENT IN CU'S OFFICE OF POLICY AND PLANS, TO VISIT POST IN JULY FOR CONSULTATIONS. IN MAKING A PILOT STUDY, HE WILL BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN GATHERING THINKING AND IDEAS FROM POST OFFICERS OR OTHERS AS APPROPRIATE REGARDING ASPECTS OF PSYCHOLOGICAL CLIMATE GERMANE TO FUTURE DIALOGUE, NATURE OF CROSS-CULTURAL COMMUNICATION PROBLEMS, NEED AND PROSPECTS FOR INCREASED REVERSE COMMUNICATIONS FLOW, AND DIRECTION HOST COUNTRY DESIRES FOR INTELLECTUAL AND CULTURAL RELATIONS WITH THE U.S.

2. THIS PROJECT IS NOT CONCERNED WITH OPERATIONAL ASPECTS OF PRESENT PROGRAMS NOR WITH CURRENT COUNTRY PLANS. OBJECT IS ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH WHAT THE GENERAL PATTERNS

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OF CHANGING FACTORS ARE IN THE AREA AS A BASIS FOR FURTHER

CONSIDERATION OF OVERALL PROGRAM DIRECTION. TRIP ALSO INCLUDES VISITS TO INDONESIA, MALAYSIA, AND THE PHILIP-PINES.

3. FISHER PLANS ARRIVE CATHAY PACIFIC 710, JULY 29 AT 10:40 AM; WILL PROCEED TO KUALA LUMPUR JULY 31. WHILE SHORT STAY POSES DIFFICULTIES FOR SCHEDULING APPOINTMENTS IN LOCAL OR INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, POST MAY WISH TO MAKE ADVANCE ARRANGEMENTS FOR HIM TO TALK WITH A FEW PEOPLE WHO COULD REFLECT A SINGAPORE PERSPECTIVE TO ADD TO THAT GAINED IN OTHER COUNTRIES OF THE AREA. LETTER TO PAO WILL FOLLOW. HOTEL RESERVATION REQUESTED.

4. PLEASE INFORM DEPARTMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF TIMING OR OTHER FACTORS INDICATE ANY CHANGE IN PLAN SHOULD BE MADE. KISSINGER

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